Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Tuesday 12 Oct 2021 until 23:59 on Wednesday 13 Oct 2021

Forecast Issued on Monday 11 Oct 2021 at 16:19 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Medium confidence in rainfall and cloud amounts for Tuesday and Wednesday.

Headline for Tuesday 12 Oct 2021: Cloudy with light patchy rain at times, fresh northwesterly winds.

Mountain weather hazards on Tuesday 12 Oct 2021

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Drizzle	Dull	Light rain	Dull	Dull
Precipitation probability							
60%	60%	60%	30%	40%	40%	40%	40%

Forecast for Tuesday 12 Oct 2021

Weather: Rain will be heavy at times overnight particularly for the Northern Cairngorms, rain more patchy for hills west of the A9. Extensive low cloud is likely in the morning with periods of light and patchy rain throughout the day, perhaps drier later for most ranges but still cloudy.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 10-20% extensive low cloud likely for most areas in association with band of light and patchy rain, perhaps a little more broken in the west but unlikely for summits to be clear.

Visibility: Visibility will be quite poor on the hills with extensive cloud down to 300m for the northern ranges, perhaps 4-500m for ranges around Ben Alder and west of the A9. Visibility below the cloud will also be poor at times in light rain and drizzle with a lot of mist and possibly low level fog patches at times. Cloud lifting and clearing a little in the afternoon with visibility becoming moderate.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	25/32 NW	24/29 W	26/32 NW	22/27 NW	20/25 NW	18/23 NW	18/22 NW	17/21 W	19/24 W
900	18/23 W	17/20 W	18/22 W	15/19 W	13/17 NW	12/17 NW	12/15 W	10/13 W	13/17 SW
600	11/15 W	10/13 W	10/15 W	9/12 W	7/11 W	7/10 NW	6/9 W	5/8 W	7/11 SW
300	5/11 W	4/10 W	5/12 W	4/10 W	3/9 W	3/8 NW	3/6 W	3/8 SW	5/12 SW
Glen	3/14 W	3/13 W	3/15 NW	4/14 NW	4/13 NW	5/13 NW	4/12 W	2/9 SW	3/11 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	3/-4	3/-3	3/-3	3/-2	4/-2	4/-1	3/-2	3/-2	3/-2
900	6/1	6/1	6/1	6/2	7/3	7/4	6/3	6/3	6/2
600	8/5	8/5	8/5	8/6	9/7	9/8	9/7	8/7	8/7
300	9/8	9/8	9/8	9/8	10/10	10/10	10/9	9/9	10/8
Glen	9/8	9/8	9/8	10/9	11/10	12/11	11/10	9/9	10/9
Freezing Level*	2000m	2100m	2100m	2100m	2100m	2100m	2200m	2100m	2300m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Feeling chilly on the hills in the fresh northwesterly airstream.

Forecast for Wednesday 13 Oct 2021
Weather: A cloudy start to the day with some patchy light rain on the hills during the morning but becoming brighter in the afternoon and cloud clearing in many places with some bright or sunny spells especially in the east.

Maximum wind: West 15mph with gusts around 25mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 20% rising to 70% with cloud lifting and breaking during the day especially for eastern ranges.

Visibility: Cloud bases in the early morning will be broken at 400m and above but cloud becoming more scattered by the afternoon and lifting towards the summits. Cloud slower to clear in the west where visibility may remain poor in any further rain. Light and patchy rain will affect morning visibility but this will become confined to the furthest west ranges.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 12 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 6 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above the summits.

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